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SUBJ: MEXICIALI SEWAGE

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1. WE HAVE FINALLY RECEIVED FONSEC NOTE (DATED APRIL 18) REPLYING TO OURS OF JANUARY 23, 1975, CONCERNING UNTREATED SEWAGE WATERS FROM MEXICALI DRAINING ACROSS BORDER INTO U.S. VIA NEW RIVER. AS EXPECTED, REPLY IS ESSENTIALLY REGRETFUL EXPLANATION THAT FACILITIES AND RESOURCES ARE INSUFFICIENT TO KEEP UP WITH MEXICALI POPULATION GROWTH.

2. TRANSLATION OF NOTE FOLLOWS (COPY POUCHED ARA/MEX): BEGIN QUOTE: "NOTE NO. 11063.

3. "THE SECRETARIAT OF FOREIGN RELATIONS PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS TO THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. IT HAS THE HONOR TO REFER TO ITS NOTE NO. 130, OF JANUARY 30, 1975, RELATIVE TO THE SANITATION WORKS IN THE CITY OF MEXICALI.

4. "THE GOVERNMENT OF MEXICO HAS BEEN GIVING SPECIAL ATTENTION TO THE INTERNATIONAL SANITATION PROBLEM RESULTING FROM THE SUBSTANTIAL DISCHARGE OF RAW SEWAGE FROM THE CITY OF MEXICALI, B.C., INTO THE NEW RIVER AND
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ITS PASSAGE THROUGH UNITED STATES TERRITORY, AND IT HAS

FOR SEVERAL YEARS BEEN UNDERTAKING EXPENSIVE CONSTRUCTION
DESIGNED TO CONTROL IT.

5. "THE WORKS COMPLETED TO DATE HAVE RESOLVED A
LARGE MEASURES OF THE PROBLEM. WITH RESPECT TO THE
CONSTRUCTION OF ADDITIONAL WORKS NECESSARY TO COMPLETE
CONTROL, PLANNING HAS BEEN COMPLICATED BY THE GROWTH OF
THE CITY OF MEXICALI, REQUIRING REPEATED MODIFICATIONS AND
CONSEQUENT BUDGETARY INCREASES. IT IS HOPED, NEVERTHELESS,
THAT THE SECRETARIAT OF HYDRAULIC RESOURCES WILL BE IN A
POSITION TO CONTINUE AND TERMINATE THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE
SOUTH COLLECTOR AS SOON AS THE THE TRANSFER OF BUDGETARY FUNDS
IT HAS REQUESTED IS APPROVED.

6. "THE SECRETARIAT OF FOREIGN RELATIONS TAKES THIS
OPPORTUNITY TO RENEW TO THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES
ITS ASSURANCES OF ITS HIGHEST CONSIDERATION.

7. "APRIL 18, 1975. END QUOTE.
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